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## VISITING OARSMEN ARRIVE IN TOWN

Local Entries in Labor Day Regatta Are Confident of Making a Good Showing Against Stars of the

By VINCENT DAILEY

The vanguard of the host of oarsmen who will flow into the city today and tomorrow for Monday's big Middle States Regatta, hopped off the trains at the Union Station early this afternoon and made their way for the Potomac Club House where their shells service. These first arrivals are the men from Philadelphia, that rowing in the spring and summer sees through the placid waters of the Schuylkill.

The Philadelphians are here to carry

The Philadelphians are here to carry off everything in the way of prizes that they can get their hands on. They are a big, husky looking bunch of fellows, well built and for the most part bronzed as a result of their open air work up in Fairmont Park. They carry on their shoulders the triple rivalry which they call Philadelphia against New York, Philadelphia against Baltimore and Washington and last but not least, the rivalry of their own which will cause each of the Quaker City clubs to do their best to beat their neighbors. Twenty-two crews in twelve out of "Twenty-two crews in twelve out of seventeen races, that ought to mean at least eight firsts and a good smattering of seconds and thirds," is the way they argue. They are simply out to win and little they care what the dopesters say. What they want now is those eight firsts, and if they fail in getting them, they will not be as happy going back to the Slow City as they seem to be coming in from it.

### Baltimoreans Coming.

Later on this afternoon the Baltimore oarsmen will put in their appearance and they will be followed close by the New York representatives. With but a very few exceptions, all of the crews which are to compete on Monday will be on the water before darkness sets in tonight. Those who do not get here this afternoon, will be in early tomorrow and both tomorrow morning and afternoon will see the Potomac crowded with the racing artists from the big cities of the East.

Today the East.

Today the river began to change its aspect. Barges on which spectators are to be placed, are being anchored along the District shore, while on both sides the District shore, while on both sides of the river the smaller launches of the Potomac fleet are securing advantageous positions. Near the finish line and around Aqueduct bridge, about a dozen houseboats, belonging to venders of pop and sandwiches, fruits and peanuts, are changing the usually dreary Virgins above into a verifable Bialto. Virginia shore into a veritable Rialto, while the decorations on the pleasure craft and canoes will, when completed, give the whole stretch of the river from the bend up to the Three States. bend up to the Three Sisters, a carnival appearance.

### Damper on Canoeing.

The cold weather of this summer has somewhat put a damper on canoeing. But cold or warm, tomorrow will surely see a record crowd out in force to get a peep at the crews in their practice spins. As for Monday, there will prob-ably not be a half dozen of all the local available water craft unused and po-lice protection and surveillance will be necessary to keep Aqueduct bridge open

Aqueduct bridge, by the way, is one of the best vantage points from which to view the races. Those who can keep to the east railing will see the last 500 feet of every event and will get all the excitement possible out of a typically birds-eye view of the inishes. The course takes in the three arches, beginning at the second from the Vir-ginia shore and extends from a point

The Potomac, with entries in the unior and intermediate singles, the junior doubles, the junior and interme-diate four-oared gig and all three of the races for eights, have the best oppor-tunity to annex the larger number of plaques and médals. What is more, if confidence counts for anything, the boys who sport the Red and White have some of these prizes already deposited in their trephy room.

coach Dempsey with his full fleet of speed boats left the Potomac float shortly before dusk last evening and all took a long spin going as far upstream as Dixle Landing, and then rowing back down to the start of Mon-

juniors, although possessed of less ex-perience of an actual sort, are row-ing smoother than their older club rivals. This is easily explained as almost all of the men in the junior eight are rowing this year for their first time, and hence have been coached by no one else than the redoubtable Demp-sey. Dempsey is a coach who glories in tuning up a green crew, and he probably is more successful than any other rowing mentor of the country in his efforts to knock together quickly a

bunch of inexperienced youngsters into a rattling, smooth-rowing combination.
On the other hand, the intermediate eight is composed of men who have owed for the most part during the last our or five years. These have been under three different coaches in that time, Slocum, Glendon, and Dempsey, As each of these coaches uses a different stroke, the result is that Dempsey has found it hard to make his charges in the intermediate boat forget the modes of rowing they learned from Glendom and Slocum and keep to Dempsey's famous slow slide, quick recovery method. As a result, the crewdoes not row as well together as the juniors, but for all this they keep their heat running well between strokes and boat running well between strokes and n this way cover a lot of water in quick

In regard to these crews, the juniors are entered in all three races for eights while the intermediates are entered in the races for intermediate and senior eights. The plan is to send the juniors to the mark in the race for the junior and senior eights, scratching it in the race for intermediate eights. By following this plan, the Potomacs will rave two good eights in the race for senior eights which event is always the real classic of a big regatta.

### Scullers Look Good.

The Potomacs should make a strong bid for first in the junior double sculls and on their performance in this will depend their chances for going to the rark in the intermediate doubles. Mueller and Thrail, who are pulling the sculls for the club, are both old carsmen with plenty of experience and a world of endurance. They row nicely together and look like real contents. together and look like real contenders.
They should also be well up in the junior singles and have a fighting chance in the intermediate singles.
Since Brown has been taken out of the junior four-pared give or content to the single s Since Brown has been taken out of the junior four-oared gig on account of a bad attack of boils, that crew has not been doing at all well and unless much improvement is made it will not be a great deal in the running on Monday, hTis is most always the case when a change is made in the line-up of a four at the last minute, as it usually takes considerable time for such a small combination to get working together.

The fact that only the Ariels of Baltimore and the Analostans of this city timore and the Analostans of this city are to compete against the Potomacs in the race for junior eights, makes that event more of a local one than any other on the program. The Potomacs and the Analostans have been rivals for years and it is safe to say that the race between them will be exthe Three Sisters to the wharf Fort Myer power station below idge.

This race will be the first in which the two local clubs clash and on its outcome will depend the championship

outcome will depend the championship of these waters, for if the Analostans can trim the Potomacs in the junior eights, it is a safe bet that they will also trim them in at least one of the other two races for eights.
Yesterday the Analostans left their float at about the same time as the Potomacs, but rowed downstream to the Long Bridge rather than give their rivals a chance to size them up.

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different movements on the field.

Reflection on the numerous unsatis-factory scoreless ties of last fall satisfied the gridiron solons that the defense must be weakened by the strengthening of the attack so as not to leave the scoring ability of an eleven almost wholly dependent upon the skilled toe of an individual star of such transcendent magnitude as to offset the possibly better developed opposing team. It so often happened that the chances of a stronger team were sent glimmering by the goal from the field by an inferior foe that the committee was practically unanimous for action of some sort to equalize matters.

After numerous suggestions had been

debated and following deliberations lasting over a span of several months it was voted to allow the offensive team another down.

### Allow Four Downs.

Instead of being limited to three downs, in which to gain ten yards, the new rules allow four downs to make the thirty feet, thereby reducing the average distance to advance each time the ball is snapped, from 31-3 yards to 71/2 feet. This is, by all odds, the most important change-the one which will be most noticeable when the most popular of all branckes of college athletics is staged within the next couple of weeks.

While a thorough trial of the rule must be afforded before a final verdict may accurately be rendered, the indimay accurately be rendered, the indi-cations now are that there will be at least a partial return to the line attack as the most potent factor in the offen-sive syst-ms of representative elevens. With almost a yard less to gain each down, the field generals of the future are most likely to look to the line for gains, this being especially true on the fourth down when within reasonable down when within reasonable striking distance of the end of the ten-

Seldom, during the past three or four years, has a quarterback been daring enough unfield to call for a running at-tack when there has been 2½ yards to go. The result was the almost inevitable kick. Now these 7½ feet are but the average requirement and a plunge may be expected as frequently as the

### Line Will Contract.

The justification for and the expectacontraction of the alignment of forwards, the line last year having become especially elastic. Men who, in the closing months of 1911, speedily left their places in the line to contract to pass and the elimination of the mass and the elimination of the elimination the closing months of 1911, speedily left their places in the line to assist in turning back end runs, must be more careful this year. They must play closer and lower, lest their positions be left exposed to straight darts from the backfield.

Split-plays, straight-bucks, and quick-

Split-plays, straight-bucks, and quick-openings are to be the bugbears of the orwards, who have been accustomed to eap from their defensive positions with the snap of the ball to give indi-vidualized exhibitions of open field tack-ling in folling the attempts of the oppo-sition to turn the ends. responsibility for lineme

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# Partial Return to Old Line Attack Expected This Year. By THOMAS KIRBY. That harbinger of autumn, the football guide, is today released and a study of the code strengthens the conviction that the rules have undergone to the rend who, from a racing to bwe the prime requisites of the men who bold the line as well as the men who play in the backfield. The necessity of a more restricted line, with a freely shifting secondary string, will give a better balance between defense and offense. The axiom that it is easier to stop a moving body at its start than after it has once gained its headway, has become to be so generally understood and appreciated by coaches that the plunging end defense is likely to be more generally in vogue during the coming season than study of the code strengthens the converted to one minute. The end who, from a racing that is likely to add to the converted to the converted to one minute. A change that is likely to add to

heertofore.

The end who, from a racing start, a stride outside his tacke, dives into a play at its inception before it is fully formed, scattering the interference or hurrying the forward pass or kick, is the man who will be of vastly greater value to a defense than the waiting end who shoos the play in, forcing the already overworked halfback to bear the brunt of the heavy work.

It o one minute.

A change that is likely to add to sportsmanship on the field is allowing but one man from each team to walk along the sidelines. Three were permitted to parade up and down the lines in the past, but this was such a disagreeable feature that the number was reduced. In the great major y of the heavy work. cases coaches devised the most ingenious schemes of movements and

lessen the evil. It now seems as though it is a question of a compara-tively short time before all but actual The removal of the twenty-yard limitation on the forward pass is a senplayers and officials will be forced to be seated, leaving the contestants de-pendent entirely upon their own initia-tive, thereby making the game a more sible move but not calculated to greatly change the offense or add much worry to the defense. It is a rather easy matter to find half a dozen or more

thorough test of the relative merits of the participants. One of the oddities of the old rules, as pointed out in these columns a year ago, was the fact that there was no dimensions given for the ball used in play. During the winter, however, this has been attended to and in addition to the shape, and material of the ball, there is an addition to this section defining the measurements and weight of official pholate spheroid.

Change Scoring Rules.

### a scheme to protect the receiver to travel even farther. Forward passes of from fifteen to twenty yards have failed with such regularty that the eleven that makes the longer throwing of the ball the keystone of its style of attack will prob-ably be as signally disappointing as The scoring rules have been changed the teams that depended upon the ob-solete line-smashing plays the season of the inauguration of the modern rules. so a touchdown is to count six points: goal from the field, three points, and

goal from the field, three points and safety two points. The object of this s to give an eleven with a touchdown The clause allowing a forward pass and goal, usually the stronger, a victo count if it is completed behind the tory over an opponent with an indigoal line, should result in a decided vidual capable, or lucky enough, to kick two field goals.

Spalding's Guide has been greatly clarified by the changing of the phraseology of several of the disputed sections and the foregoing is a review of the alterations calculated to have the greatest bearing on the sport.

In addition to a general list, the comadvantage to the offense. To prepare against this play the defense must drop back one or more men, thereby withdrawing part of the re-enforcements supporting the line and making the

front more vulnerable for direct dives In addition to a general list, the committee has arranged the following group of men in the District and Virginia to officiate in this section of the country: Richard Armstrong. (Yale) Hampton, Va.; C. M. Barry, (Georgetown) Norfolk, Va.; J. B. Bocock, (Georgetown) Blacksburg, Va.; Fred A. Crafts, (George Washington) Washington, D. C.; Charles F. Donnelly, (Holy Cross) Washington; S. J. Gass, (Lehigh) Washington; R. C. Graham, (Virginia) Norton, Va.; Wister M. Heald, (Virginia) Lynchburg, Va.; Ellis L. Jackson, (Baltimore City College) Old Point, Va.; George A. Jennings, (Bucknell) Sistersville, W. Va.; Branch Johason, (Virginia) Norfolk, Va.; Hammond Johnson, (Virginia) Norfolk, Va.; Thosas Kirby (Georgetown) Washington; In addition to a general list, the com-To count as a touchdown the forward pass must not go farther than ten yards behind the goal line, so the field has been shortened to an even hundred yards, allowing the extra thirty feet behind each pair of uprights for the completion of the play. The kick-offs are to be from the fortyyard line of the team kicking, instead of from the fifty-five-yard line as in the During the coming fall a punt striking the ground cannot be recovered by the side kicking, until it has been touched by an opponent. This is calculated to do away with the so-called "on-side kick". as Kirby (Georgetown) Washington George M. Lambert, Washington; E. S Land. (Annapolis) Washington; Free (Nebraska) Shaughnessy, (Notre Dame) Roa Va.; C. R. Williams, (Virginia

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Pepco Scheduled to Battle Ninth at Capital City Park in Intersectional Series—Cornell Loses Deciding Game in Class A to "Buck" Barton.

Pepco, winner of the section A series and conqueror of the Cornell eam, is scheduled to meet Ninth, winner of the section B series, in the intrasectional series which starts today at the Capital City League grounds, North permitted to parade up and down the will start the game promptly at 4:30 lines in the past, but this was such a o'clock and the fans, who for the past Capitol and L streets. Umpire Betts two days have watched Cornell and Pepco fight it out will be on hand for the fray,

Beall is expected to be in the box As there promises to be considerably sounds of conveying instructions to for the Pepco team, while Bell, of the fewer punts to cover, the end should be better physically able than at any other time since 1906, to withstand the grueling of an open, running offense. So it would appear as though the more compact line, from end to end, will be one of the most noticeable features of the defensive tactics of the teams that count for much on the white-barred fields of the future.

In or the Pepco team, while Bell, of the Ninth, will work for the champions of the Sunday School League. Munch is Ninth, will work for the champions of the Sunday School League. Munch is Pepco's catcher and "Big Six" Brewer is slated to casch for Ninth. Ninth has had no difficulty in getting at the top of the Sunday School League and less difficulty in winning the section B games. Fans have doped out Ninth to give the Pepco players all they are looking for.

Youth and snap triumphed over age the section A championship game, Cornell falling before Barton, the Pepco pitcher, by a 13 to 3 score. The Cornell team failed to show any speed either on bases or in the field and the young Pepco players not only ran the bases daringly but got away with everything they tried.

Success couple of innings gave the Pepco team confidence, and after that it became a confidence, and after that it became a procession, run after run crossing the plate. For the first time in many a streets southeast tomorrow afternoon long day the Cornell Company team at 2:20 o'clock in what promises to be the Pepco team.

### Post-Season Series

Today's Game. Pepco vs. Ninth, at Capital City Park, North Capitol and L streets. Game called at 4:30 p. m. Umpires-Hughes and Betts.

Much of the credit for the Pepco vic-

meet Ninth and Pepco in the finals next week. Southern won all the way, ob-taining a six-run lead in the first inning, which was enough to have easily

The Tigers claim the fourteen-yearhaving won the third of a series of three games from the Eagles yesterday by a score of fifteen to seven. Alfred Bowler proved to be the sensation of yesterday's contest, obtaining three hits out of four times up, knocking out two triples and a double. after success in the first out two triples and a double.

was routed and completely outclassed; a fast game. Kelly and Thompson are four pitchers were used and none were slated to work for the Apaches and able to check off the vicious drives of Sullivan and Farquhar will be the battery selection for Trinity.

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